

if the exception was caused by the emulator program, handling the exception internally in the emulator program without delivering the exception to the emulated user program

10. (Once Amended) A method for processing an exception according to claim [1] 2 and further comprising, if the exception is determined to have been caused by the user program, and if the exception is not currently blocked by the user program, determining whether the exception is synchronous or asynchronous; and if the exception is synchronous, delivering the exception to the user program.

Please add new claim 21 as follows:

--21. A method for processing an exception according to claim 1 in which the exception is drawn from a set of exceptions including a privilege fault exception and a floating point arithmetic exception.--

#### REMARKS

Claims 4-7 and 13-20 have been canceled in the accompanying request for filing the divisional application. Claims 1 and 10 are amended and new claim 21 is added.

Claims 1-3, 8-12 and 21 remain in the case.

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